

## Message Text

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O 231854Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5675  
INFO USMISSION GENEVA  
AMEMBASSY TOKYO  
AMEMBASSY PARIS

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GENEVA ALSO FOR MTN; PARIS FOR OECD

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ETRD, EEC, JA  
SUBJECT: JAPAN/EC STEEL AGREEMENT

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 5634; (B) TOKYO 4651

1. MISSION HAS CONFIRMED AMAYA.S REPORT (REF B)  
TO EMBASSY TOKYO THAT COREPER DID NOT APPROVE  
JAPAN/EC STEEL ARRANGEMENT AT ITS MARCH 21  
MEETING. DAVIGNON AIDES HAVE ASSURED US MEMBER  
STATES HAD ONLY MINOR PROBLEMS WITH ARRANGEMENT  
AND THE COMMISSION EXPECTS APPROVAL AT SOME  
FUTURE DATE.

2. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT DAVIGNON MADE  
NO MENTION OF THIS FACT DURING MARCH 23 DISCUSSIONS

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WITH WOLFF AND MACDONALD (SEPTTEL), BUT NONCHALANTLY NOTED  
THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS WERE CONCLUDED SUCCESSFULLY.

3. MEMBER STATE SOURCES APPEAR TO HAVE VARYING  
INTERPRETATIONS OF THE RESULTS OF THEIR MARCH 21  
DISCUSSIONS. AN FRG PERMDEL SAID THAT THE  
PROBLEMS WERE NOT MAJOR AND THE EC COUNCIL OF  
APRIL 4 WOULD PROBABLY APPROVE THE ARRANGEMENT

(THERE IS NO COREPER MEETING NEXT WEEK). SOURCE  
ALSO SAID FRANCE, THE UK, AND ITALY WERE THE  
HOLDOUTS. UK SOURCE TOLD US THEY ONLY HAD A  
PROBLEM WITH THE PRICE MARGIN OF SIX PERCENT  
WHICH THEY WOULD PREFER TO SEE AT FIVE PERCENT.  
IF NOT SUPPORTED BY OTHER MEMBER STATES, THEY WOULD  
PROBABLY BACK DOWN, SOURCE ADMITTED, AND IT WAS QUITE  
POSSIBLE COUNCIL WOULD APPROVE THE ARRANGEMENT ON APRIL 4.  
FRENCH PERMDEL SOURCE SAID THEY HAD RATHER SERIOUS  
PROBLEMS REGARDING THE PENETRATION MARGINS AND THE PRO-  
VISIONS FOR REFUNDING PROVISIONAL ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES  
ALREADY ASSESSED. SOURCE DID NOT WANT TO GUESS AT  
NATURE OR DATE OUTCOME. MORRIS

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